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elcome to the January/February 2020 Edition of the Frederick County Liquor Board Newsletter! We appreciate all the positive feedback we received from our very first edition. We strive to have open lines of communication and this is another tool we can use to reach out to licensees. In this issue we will discuss email notifications, renewals, and regulation updates.

FCLB OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

December 31, 2019 (half day)

January 1, 2020 (New Years Day)

January 20, 2020 (MLK Day)

EMAIL NOTICATIONS. Just a friendly reminder, when emailing the Liquor Board, send *ALL* emails to the Liquor Board email address:

LiquorBoard@FrederickCountyMD.gov

This ensures your message has been received and acted on in a timely manner, even if a staff member is absent, another staff member can continue business with you.

LICENSE RENEWALS. Towards the end of February, you will receive an email with renewal instructions regarding your 2020 alcohol beverage license renewal. Documents and information will be posted again this year on our website:

www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/LiquorBoard

If you have any changes to your license please reach out to Liquor Board staff at any time, and they will be happy to assist you.

<u>Upcoming Alcohol Awareness Classes</u>

January 16th

January 30th

February 13th

February 27th

March 21st

May 21st

Training available and tailored to meet your schedule and location

ALCOHOL AWARENESS REMINDER. Each licensed establishment must have at least one designated person who is alcohol awareness trained during the time the establishment is selling alcoholic beverages. If you're in need of training please contact Liquor Board Staff to register for a class, or to schedule a class in the evening or weekends at your establishment.

If you have a topic you would like to see featured in the bi-monthly newsletter, shoot an email to: LiquorBoard@FrederickCountyMD.gov

REGULATION UPDATES. At the December 2019 hearing, the Board, voted and approved an update to regulation §5.10 Conduct of Business AND §3.0 q Residency. The new regulations are listed below:

CONDUCT OF BUSINESS:

"All licensees must operate their business in such a manner as to avoid disturbing the peace, safety and quiet of the neighborhood where located. All unnecessary noise, including the playing of loud music, loud talking and loud singing at unreasonable times are prohibited.

(Alcohol Beverages Article §20-2101).

All licensees shall keep their establishments in a clean and orderly condition. The areas shall be clear of clutter and debris, including the inside area of the establishment and any outside areas that are part of the establishment. This includes gathering trash, cigarette butts, litter, etc. off of the floor and ground. All displays should be clean and in good condition, untainted by dirt, dust or any other type of pollutant."

RESIDENCY:

"If no licensee resides in the State of Maryland, the applicant shall designate an agent who resides in the State of Maryland to accept service of process, notices and all other communications from the Board. The applicant must provide the agent's personal information, including the agent's name. address, telephone number and email address. If is the licensee's responsibility to notify the Board of any changes to this information within 30 days."

We would like to congratulate all the new licensees for October & November 2019.

FREDERICK (Election District)

Up On Market-11-12-19 Attaboy Beer Co (2nd location) 11-27-19

BRUNSWICK (Election District)

Brunswick Volunteer Fire Co-11/4/19

NEW MARKET (Election District)

Adventure Park-10/15/19

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR: On behalf of the Board and LB Staff Happy New Year! As we start 2020, I wanted to welcome all the new businesses to Frederick County, and extend a "thank you" to all of our continuing business. We appreciate you choosing Frederick as your business home. With the holiday season passing, there are many exciting events that the City and County will host in the upcoming months that increase patron traffic and attract many out-of-town guests. Please remember the importance of exercising due diligence in ensuring a healthy balance of celebration, safety and economics. We appreciate your vigilance in checking IDs, providing staff reminders on best practices for alcohol service, and ensuring the safety of your patrons. We look forward to working with you in the upcoming renewal season, and wish all of our Frederick County licensee a happy and prosperous New Year!